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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: EFIS, TD, VE
SUBJECT: DETAINED TRINIDADIAN FISHERMEN RETURN HOME

REF: PORT OF SPAIN 249

1. ACCORDING TO LOCAL PRESS, THE 46 TRINIDADIAN
FISHERMEN WHO HAD BEEN TAKEN INTO CUSTODY JANUARY 18 BY
VENEZUELAN AUTHORITIES WERE RELEASED JANUARY 22 AND
ALLOWED TO RETURN HOME. THEY REPORTEDLY WERE WELL TREATED
WHILE IN VENEZUELAN CUSTODY BUT WERE THREATENED WITH
JAILING FOR 3-6 MONTHS IF THEY WERE CAUGHT AGAIN. THE
"GUARDIAN" AND "EXPRESS" REPORTS DISAGREE AS TO WHETHER
THE FISHERMEN WERE CAPTURED IN TRINIDADIAN OR VENEZUELAN
TERRITORIAL WATERS.

2. AS IS CUSTOMARY, GOTT HAS NOT COMMENTED ON
THE CURRENT INCIDENT. HOWEVER, "EXPRESS" EDITORIAL OF
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JANUARY 21, ENTITLED "AND ALL TOO FAMILIAR FISHING
STORY," STRONGLY CRITICIZES THE VENEZUELAN FOR THEIR
ACTIONS AND STATES THAT, DESPITE THE SIGNING OF THE
BILATERAL FISHING AGREEMENT LAST MONTH, THE PROSPECTS
FOR BETTER RELATIONS IN THE FISHING AREA FOR "THE SHORT
AND MEDIUM TERM ARE DECIDEDLY UNPROMISING."
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